

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

HLV, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, LANDWORTHY CONTAINER, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, and ROBERT BAKER, an individual,

Plaintiffs,

-vs-

Case No: 1:13cv1366PLM
Honorable Paul L. Maloney

VAN BUREN COUNTY, a municipal corporation, VILLAGE OF PAW PAW, a municipal corporation, PAGE & STEWART, an ad hoc professional partnership, KELLY PAGE, an individual, GARY STEWART, JR., an individual, PAUL HAMRE, an individual, PEGGY GROTE, an individual, MICHAEL MCKAY, an individual, and MICHAEL BEDFORD, an individual,

Defendants.

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**BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT STEWART'S EMERGENCY
MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Defendant, Gary Stewart, through counsel, has been advised co-Defendant Page and "Page & Stewart" have settled with Plaintiff. That settlement is not the subject of any

confidence agreement. Plaintiff demonstrated a strong propensity in the *HLV v. ELC* Collection Action to communicate with television and print media regarding events that occurred in that lawsuit. Defendant Gary Stewart is justifiably concerned that publications or communications to the press, or in any manner outside of this lawsuit, could be made prior to trial in this matter. Any publications of settlement outside of trial in this matter could be heard by potential jurors. It is respectfully submitted that until trial in this matter is completed, that a protective order be issued precluding Plaintiff from communicating or broadcasting the fact of settlement or the amount of settlement with Defendants Kelly Page and "Page & Stewart" alleged entity.

Dated April 13, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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